ORDINANCE 96-159C AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING ABANDONED VEHICLES WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF MILLSTONE, COUNTY OF SOMERSET

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Millstone, County of Somerset and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. <u>Definitions</u>. The following terms, phrases and words used in and for the purpose of this Ordinance shall be deemed to have the following meanings:

<u>Abandon</u> - Includes any motor vehicle, omnibus, road tractor, truck, truck trailer or other vehicle which:

- A. Is parked without the current year's registration or identification markers as required by law;
- B. Has been continuously parked in any public street or on any public land for a period of ten (10) days;
- C. Is so disabled as to constitute an obstruction to traffic, and the driver or person owning or in charge thereof neglects or refuses to move the same to a place where it shall not obstruct traffic;
- D. Is found to be mechanically inoperative and is allowed to remain inoperative for a period of seven (7) days (said period may be extended for good cause, by the Police Department); or
- E. Is found without one (1) or more tires.

<u>Junk Automobiles</u>; <u>Junk Automobile Bodies</u> - Any automobile which is no longer in actual use as a motor vehicle or which is wholly unfit without rebuilding or reconditioning for use in highway transportation or which has been discarded for use as a motor vehicle or otherwise abandoned.

Motor Vehicle - Any motor vehicle, omnibus, road tractor, trailer, truck, truck tractor or other vehicle and shall have the meaning as described to the foregoing words as contained and defined in N.J.S.A. 39:1.1 et eq.

<u>Person</u> - Any individual, firm, partnership or corporation being the owner or having any legal right in or to the motor vehicle or other vehicle as herein defined.

Regulations:

A. Abandonment prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person to abandon or suffer to permit the abandonment of any motor vehicle, junk automobile or junk automobile body, out of doors upon any public or private lands in the Borough of Millstone or any public street between the right-of-way side lines of any public right-of-way therein.

- Storage prohibited. No person shall place, keep or B. store any junk automobiles or junk automobile bodies, as heretofore defined in this chapter, on any public or private property within the Borough of Millstone.
- Presumption. If any motor vehicle, junk automobile or junk automobile body shall be abandoned on private lands for ten (10) days or more, it shall be presumed that the owner or tenant in possession of said land has abandoned it there or permitted or suffered it to be abandoned there.
- D. Exclusion. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prohibit the placing, keeping or storage of any motor vehicle, junk automobile or junk automobile body in an enclosed garage, barn or other building.
- Unless another penalty is expressly provided for by New Jersey Statute, every person convicted of a violation of a provision of this Ordinance shall be liable to a penalty of not exceeding \$50.00 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding fifteen (15) days or both.
- The invalidity of any section or provisions of this Ordinance shall not invalidate any other section or provisions thereof.
- 4. All ordinances or parts or ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed.
- This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.

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I certify that this is a true copy of an ordinance adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Millstone, Somerset County, New Jersey, at a regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, April 3, 1996.

Beth Trautwein, Clerk